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Priority: Mycobacterium diseases (TB and Johnes)

Duration: Long Term

Rank: 2

Rationale: Disease related production loss, market barriers

Research Priorities:

Diagnostics

Vaccines

Affected herd management / national control program

Wildlife / Livestock Interface

Alignment of initiative with USDA Priorities:

1 (ending world hunger), 3 (food safety)

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Recommended strategic approaches and partnerships for addressing specific priorities:*

Public:

Private:

Public/ Private: 1, 2, 3, 4

International: 1, 2, 4

Other: USAHA / AAVLD 1,2,3, 4

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Priority: Bovine Respiratory Disease Complex including BVD

Duration: Long Term

Rank: 1

Rationale: Most significant cause of beef production loss.

Reproductive losses secondary significance.

Research Priorities:

Host-pathogen interaction/synergy of agent with other factors

Altered host response

Novel preventatives and therapeutics

Surveillance for pathogens & host factors for early intervention

Alignment of initiative with USDA Priorities:

1, 3, 5



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Recommended strategic approaches and partnerships for addressing specific priorities:*

Public: (all)USDA (ARS/NIFA); DHS; NIH; NSF; DOD; State universities

Private: (all)Philanthropic foundations (Gates, Noble); Animal industry

Public/ Private: (all)Producer organizations, state cattle associations

International: (all)OIE, QUADS countries, USAID (BARD)

Other:

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Priority: Vector-borne Diseases

Duration: Long Term

Rank: 3

Rationale: Economic consequence due to animal loss, market disruption and loss of consumer confidence,

Research Priorities:

Virus / Vector Ecology and Host Relationship

Integrated approach to prevent importation of disease

DIVA vaccine and companion diagnostics

Improved surveillance and modeling

Alignment of initiative with USDA Priorities:

1 and 5

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Public:

Private:

Public/ Private: 1, 2, 3, 4

International: 1, 2, 3, 4

Other:

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Priority: Infectious Reproductive Disease

Duration: Long Term

Rank: 4

Rationale: A huge economic impact on cattle production despite limited success with diagnostic assays and preventives.

Research Priorities:

Impact of immune status on protecting reproductive function

Altered interaction of immune function and endocrine modulators

Novel diagnostics, preventatives and therapeutics

Efficacy of current tools: diagnostics and vaccines

Alignment of initiative with USDA Priorities:

1, 3, 5

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Recommended strategic approaches and partnerships for addressing specific priorities:*

Public: 1, 2, 3, 4

Private: 3, 4

Public/ Private: 1, 2, 3, 4

International: 1, 2, 3, 4

Other:

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Priority: Animal Well Being

Duration: Long Term

Rank: 6

Rationale: Anticipation of impact of ballot initiatives and consumer preference trends

Research Priorities:

PAIN - measurement & control

STRESS - relationship to disease and productivity

HEALTH - maintenance/surveillance

ECONOMICS - cost/benefit of mitigation

Alignment of initiative with USDA Priorities:

1, 5, 2

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Recommended strategic approaches and partnerships for addressing specific priorities:*

Public: 1, 3

Private: 4

Public/ Private: 2

International:

Other: Consumer and activist organizations

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Priority: Minimize Impact of Emerging Infectious Diseases

Duration: Long Term

Rank: 5

Rationale: Ensure food security, continuity of business, and public

health

Research Priorities:

Biosecurity

Evidence for accurate disease transmission assessments incl. comm

Bio-economic decision tools for outbreak response

Define and mitigate risks at livestock/wildlife interfaces

Alignment of initiative with USDA Priorities:

1, 3, 5

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Recommended strategic approaches and partnerships for addressing specific priorities:*

Public: USDA, DHS, DOD, DOI, DOT, State universities, local/state govt.

Private: pharm. industry, diagnostic labs, philanthropic funds,

commodity groups

Public/ Private: above

International: OIE, GFRA, QUADS, FAO

Other: Media